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Subject: Procurement of RECORDING AND REAL-TIME BROADCASTING SERVICES

The American Embassy Chisinau intends to award a Purchase Order for acquisition of real-time recording and broadcasting services, including all necessary technical equipment as per the Scope of Work. Location is in Chisinau, Moldova.

The resultant Contract will be a firm fixed price type Contract.

It is now compulsory for all companies doing business with the U.S. Government valued at over \$30,000 USD to register on a website called "SAM – System for Award Management" www.sam.gov. The website compiles standard information such as company legal name, street address, contact information, and what kind of goods and services it offers. To register in SAM, a DUNS number and a NCAGE code are required. If you do not have this information, it must be obtained before registering. There is no cost involved, either in obtaining the numbers or registering in SAM. Interested parties are strongly encouraged to register their business as soon as possible to avoid any delay in finalizing an award.

Please note this RFQ is not ready to be issued as of this date. Interested parties should contact GSO Procurement at Chisinau-Procurement-DL@state.gov in order to receive the RFQ package. All parties expressing interest will receive additional information after the advert closing date.

Electronic submissions will be accepted.

Posted on August 30, 2022, for 15 days. Expression of Interest due by 17:00 local time on September 14, 2022.

PROCUREMENT OF RECORDING AND REAL-TIME BROADCASTING SERVICES

A. Background

The Government of Moldova has an ambitious agenda to reform the justice system, including to better ensure the integrity of serving prosecutors, judges and other key officials.

Two of the government's key initiatives relate to the "**vetting**," and "**pre-vetting**" or integrity screening, of judges, prosecutors and other key officials in anticorruption/integrity agencies. Both of these initiatives require enactment of new legislation, planned to be done through separate legislative packages.

The "**Pre-Vetting**" legislation was enacted by Parliament during February-March 2022 which represents a phase 1 to vetting procedure and provides an extraordinary and external assessment, by an independent commission, on integrity and ethic criteria of candidates' judges and prosecutors to the judicial and prosecutorial administrative bodies. The Evaluation Commission has been already established and started its activity. It is composed of 3 nationals experts proposed by Parliament and 3 international experts, selected by Parliament from a list of 6 experts proposed by development partners.

The Commission's activity is going to initiate the assessment process in July 2022, when the candidates judges and prosecutors will be invited to submit income declarations according to the Commission drafted template. As well, all candidates, approximately 80, will be invited to an interview with the Commission.

According to **Rules of Procedures** adopted by the Commission on April 22, 2022, art. 13.2 provides that *in addition to **audio and video recording**, the Secretariat shall, to the extent possible, organize online **real-time broadcasting of public meetings***. As well, the point 13.3 states that ***recordings of public meetings shall be retained including the English translation for non-Moldovan members to be able to review for their deliberations.***

The administrative support to the Pre-Vetting Commission is offered by a Secretariat, established through the support of the development partners and government. USAID is the main donor on supporting the Secretariat needs while other donors are meeting the on-the-spot necessities.

In this context, Secretariat has asked development partners to support the costs for translation services for all interviews to be performed with candidates, which will include video and audio recording, real-time broadcasting, simultaneous translation and other related services in order to assure a high quality of services.

Thus, USA Government, through International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Section (INL) of Department of State, is going to support the Pre-Vetting Commission and will cover the costs related to the translation services for all interviews to be performed with candidates.

B. Specification

No.	Item	Details	Additional Notes
1.	Equipment for real-time broadcasting and recording of public meetings	3 cameras	(1 camera fixed on committee members, 1 camera fixed on the interviewee, 1 moving camera)
		additional light, if necessary.	Lighting should be used to ensure high quality streaming and recording. The lighting in the room will change throughout the day as there is one wall of windows.
2.	Real-time broadcasting of public meetings	on the Commission's official YouTube channel and Facebook page in 2 languages (Romanian and English)	
3.	Recording of public meetings	on 2 channels: Romanian and English and transfer of two separate recordings (Romanian and English) to the Secretariat within 24 hours of the conclusion of any single days public meeting	
4.	Technical assistance during public meetings		
5.	Graphic design	Subtitles - Names etc. and Picture in Picture for both recording and real-time broadcast	

- ✓ **Total number of hours:** 400
- ✓ **Period of performance:** September 2022-February 2023
- ✓ **Place:** September 2022 public meetings will take place at National Institute of Justice (1 Lazo street, Chisinau) in conference room 108 (Alexandru Ioan Cuza) and no. 107 (Constantin Mavrocordat)

Notes:

1) Vendors should be advised that when public meetings are held on consecutive days there is an expectation that all equipment, once set-up/installed, will remain in place until the conclusion of all consecutive hearings.

2) Vendors should be advised that there will be set up/installed simultaneous translation equipment from another vendor and the recording and broadcasting equipment should be compatible with it.

3) Currently the space for public meetings is not decided yet. Anyway, when it will be possible, vendors may request a site visit of the space in which public meetings will be held and that can be scheduled by reaching out to: RabeiO@state.gov

4) The equipment used by the provider should be compatible with the equipment going to be used by INTART DESIGN SRL for simultaneous translation, with following technical details:

➤ *Central unit DCN Next Generation – Bosch:*

- Includes function for controlling delegate microphones, sharing simultaneous interpretation • Setting the number of active microphones • Ensures interconnection with other external systems • Up to 31 channels of simultaneous interpretation • Centralized management of discussion units • Multiple input/output interfaces

➤ *Double selection discussion unit– Bosch:*

- Low sensitivity to mobile phones • Dual channel selector with number and channel name abbreviation • Built-in speaker • Uni-directional microphone with red and green indicator • Can be used as a discussion unit for one delegate, two delegates or the chairperson

➤ *Translation unit– Bosch:*

- Low sensitivity to mobile phones • Ergonomic design and functions for visually impaired users • Up to 31 translation channels (20kHz) plus the original session channel • LED screen with lighting • 5 programmable buttons for intermediate translation languages • Microphone power button with red and green illuminated ring • Built-in speaker • Corresponds to ISO 2603

➤ *Headphones for translators– Bosch:*

- frequency - from 20Hz – 20kHz • impedance – 32 Ω • light and ergonomic • hygienic and easy to clean

➤ *Headsets for delegates– Bosch:*

- lightweight with high sound quality • yellow connector at 90° • frequency - from 50Hz – 20kHz (-10 dB) • impedance – 32 Ω • sensitivity (1kHz) – 98 dB SPL/headset at 1 mW/headset

➤ *Integrus digital transmitter– Bosch:*

- It can distribute up to 4/8 audio channels • Can be used separately or with the DCN-NG conference system, or other analog system • Flexible channel configuration •

Compatible with any other IR interpretation system at 870nm wavelength or conform to IEC61603

➤ *Infrared Emitter– Bosch:*

- Coverage area up to 1300m² per transmitter • Does not produce noise • Does not harm the eyes

➤ *Infrared receiver– Bosch:*

- Compatible with IR interpretation system • Convenient channel selection • LCD screen indicating the channel number • The number of channels is the same as the number of channels used by the system, eliminating the need to search through channels • Adjustable volume • Large reception angle, ensuring excellent sound quality • The audio signal automatically turns off when the signal reception is too weak, providing the user with only high quality sound • Low energy consumption, which ensures a long duration of battery autonomy (up to 200 hours) • Does not consume power when headphones are disconnected

➤ *Wireless UHF Microphone Set– Bosch:*

- 97-193 selectable UHF channels • LCD screen indicating frequency and battery status • Approximately 15 hours of operation on alkaline batteries

➤ *Mixer Analogic Yamaha MG16XU-Yamaha:*

- 16 channels • 10 microphone inputs with +48V Phantom • 4 stereo inputs • 2 groups of outputs • 4 AUX per channel • USB input • SPX effects processor

➤ *Active Audio Speakers-Eurocraft:*

- 2 x 500 W • 2 x 250 W

C. Deliverable:

No.	Item	Details
1.	Providing equipment as required in specifications for real-time broadcasting and recording of public meetings	400 hours
2.	Real-time broadcasting of public meetings on the Commission's official YouTube channel and Facebook page in 2 languages (Romanian and English)	400 hours
3.	Recording of public meetings on 2 channels: Romanian and English and transfer of two separate recordings (Romanian and English) to the Secretariat within 24 hours of the conclusion of any single days public meeting	400 hours
4.	Technical assistance during public meetings	400 hours

5.	Graphic design Subtitles - Names etc. and Picture in Picture for both recording and real-time broadcast	400 hours
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